SOLUTION

Dust on the Pedestal

Deepa was the only person alone with **Vy** — **Sculpture hall**. The killer is unmasked.

1. Clue: “Astrid was in the café.” So Astrid can only be in 2 cells; cross out the 27 that don't fit.
2. Clue: “Bình was beside an armchair.” So Bình can only be in 4 cells; cross out the 25 that don't fit.
3. Clue: “Cường was in the office.” So Cường can only be in 2 cells; cross out the 27 that don't fit.
4. Clue: “Vy was not sitting on a bench.” So Vy can only be in 27 cells; cross out the 2 that don't fit.
5. Clue: “Vy was in the sculpture hall.” So Vy can only be in 6 cells; cross out the 21 that don't fit.
6. All of Astrid's possible cells are in row 6, so Astrid takes that line. Nobody else can be in row 6.
7. All of Cường's possible cells are in row 1, so Cường takes that line. Nobody else can be in row 1.
8. Eden was alone, but Bình is certainly in the lobby. So Eden can't be in the lobby.
9. Eden was alone, but Vy is certainly in the sculpture hall. So Eden can't be in the sculpture hall.
10. Finn was not in the same room as Vy, who is certainly in the sculpture hall. So Finn can't be in the sculpture hall.
11. Vy is in the sculpture hall and needs exactly one companion. Only Deepa can still get there, so Deepa must be in the sculpture hall.
12. Cường was west of Bình. Compare where each of them can still be and cross out the cells that would break this.
13. Cường has only one possible cell left: row 1, column 6. Place Cường there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
14. Column 5 needs exactly one person, and only Finn can still go there. So Finn must be in column 5 — cross out Finn's other cells.
15. Finn has only one possible cell left: row 5, column 5. Place Finn there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
16. Bình has only one possible cell left: row 4, column 7. Place Bình there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
17. Vy has only one possible cell left: row 3, column 3. Place Vy there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
18. Deepa has only one possible cell left: row 2, column 2. Place Deepa there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
19. Astrid has only one possible cell left: row 6, column 1. Place Astrid there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
20. Eden has only one possible cell left: row 7, column 4. Place Eden there and cross out the rest of that row and column.
21. The only other person in Vy's room was Deepa. Deepa is the murderer!

